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MEMORANDUM

To:

Julio Frenk, President

From:

Tomás A. Salerno

Chair, Faculty Senate

Date:

January 31, 2019

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Subject: Faculty Senate Legislation #2018-39(A) – Amendment of Faculty Manual Section A3,

Clarifying How Voting Rights Can Be Extended

The Faculty Senate, at its January 30, 2019 meeting, voted to unanimously approve the proposal to amend section A3 of the *Faculty Manual* in order to clarify how voting rights can be extended. The *Faculty Manual* is silent as to whether the REGULAR FACULTY of a school or college may delegate the extension of voting rights to RESEARCH and EDUCATOR FACULTY to the REGULAR FACULTY of a department. This has led to inconsistent practices and interpretations across various schools. The proposed language is consistent with current practice in some schools, and does not conflict with the spirit of the sections as written.

Proposed additions shown as <u>underline</u>.

BEGIN TEXT

A3 Voting Rights of the UNIVERSITY FACULTY

- A3.1 (a)The REGULAR FACULTY are entitled to vote on all matters for which they are qualified by rank and tenure status including all voting rights extended to other members of the UNIVERSITY FACULTY. ¹
 - (b) The RESEARCH FACULTY are entitled to vote on all matters for which they are qualified with the exception of appointment, reappointment, promotion, the award of tenure, evaluation of the chair or the dean, and ratification of amendments to the Faculty Government Charter. A school may, by majority vote of its tenured REGULAR FACULTY, extend voting rights to RESEARCH FACULTY in any or all of the following matters:
 - (1) Reappointment of RESEARCH FACULTY of lower rank;²

- (2) Promotion of RESEARCH FACULTY of lower rank;
- (3) Evaluation of the department chair; and
- (4) Evaluation of the dean.

Extension of voting rights to RESEARCH FACULTY apply only in that school. The tenured Regular Faculty must vote annually on whether to renew any extension of voting rights to RESEARCH FACULTY except that a school may, through its bylaws or by annual vote, delegate the extension of voting rights to departments in departmentalized schools.

- (c) The EDUCATOR FACULTY are entitled to vote on all matters for which they are qualified with the exception of appointment, reappointment, promotion, the award of tenure, evaluation of the chair or the dean, and ratification of amendments to the Faculty Government Charter. A school may, by majority vote of its tenured REGULAR FACULTY, extend voting rights to EDUCATOR FACULTY with professorial titles in any or all of the following matters:
 - (1) Reappointment of EDUCATOR FACULTY of lower rank;³
 - (2) Promotion of EDUCATOR FACULTY of lower rank:
 - (3) Evaluation of the department chair; and
 - (4) Evaluation of the dean.

Extension of voting rights to EDUCATOR FACULTY apply only in that school. The tenured REGULAR FACULTY must vote annually on whether to renew any extension of voting rights to EDUCATOR FACULTY with professorial titles except that a school may, through its bylaws or by annual vote, delegate the extension of voting rights to departments in departmentalized schools.

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This legislation is now forwarded to you for your action.

TAS/rh

cc: Jeffrey Duerk, Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs All Academic Deans

CAPSULE: Legislation #2018-39(A) – Amendment of Faculty Manual Section A3, Clarifying
How Voting Rights Can Be Extended
APPROVED: DATE: 3/7/19 (President's Signature)
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office or individual to implement: Faculty Senate Office
EFFECTIVE DATE OF LEGISLATION: Upon approval of the vote of the faculty and the Board
of Trustees, whichever comes last
NOT APPROVED AND REFERRED TO:
REMARKS (IF NOT APPROVED):